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PACKING HOUSE TO BE BUILT IN SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO

**Oakland Officials Are Aroused--Objectors Scored
by Manufacturers' Bureau of Chamber
of Commerce.**

Oakland, Dec. 26.—Because the members of the Fitchburg Improvement Club protested so vigorously against their plant the Moran Packing Company will not establish a \$500,000 packing house in Fitchburg, but will go to South San Francisco instead. The announcement was made to-day by C. C. Emslie of the firm of Emslie & Lorenz, who held the option of the firm on ten acres on which to erect the plant.

Emslie to-day would not discuss the matter except to say that the option had been allowed to lapse by the packing company and announcement had been made that South San Francisco had been chosen. As a result the manufacturers' bureau of the chamber of commerce, through its secretary, Fred Boegle, has risen up and declared itself.

TOO MANY PROTESTERS

"There are too many protesters in Oakland," said Boegle. "On an average of three times each month, officials of the chamber of commerce are compelled to appear before the city council to combat some protest. Other cities of the coast not only refrain from protesting against the coming of a manufacturing plant, but offer free sites and bonuses to industrial firms who will locate in their city. Oakland is facing a serious handicap by having citizens who refuse to act for the common good of the municipality."

Mayor John L. Davie, who, with the city commissioners, endeavored to have the firm locate here, did not hurl such a direct shaft at the improvement club as Boegle, but intimated that he was not at all pleased with the result of the protesting.

MAYOR DID HIS BEST

"I can't blame the concern for going to a place where their patronage will be solicited and appreciated and they will be made welcome," said the mayor. "I certainly did the best I could to have them come here. The city even closed four streets in order to help the firm out. I suppose these will have to be reopened now."

The protest was on the ground that the odor from the establishment would be a menace to health and would hurt the chances of the community in the possible acquisition of the proposed naval base.

The above article appeared in last Wednesday's Chronicle and has aroused much comment. W. J. Martin, general manager of the Land

Company, when asked as to facts concerning this article, said:

"It is true that the Land Company has closed a deal with the Moran Packing Company, in fact this deal was closed by us a couple of months ago. Inasmuch as it has been the policy of our company to make no announcement of industries secured until actual building construction has been commenced, no mention was made of this deal.

"It is also true that Moran did at one time have an option on an Oakland site, and such option has been the occasion of much headline newspaper publicity and 'autorejoicing' in transbay real estate circles, a continuous performance even to date. The rude awakening to actual facts has caused the first mention ever made of 'sour grapes.' As a matter of fact, the Moran Company is a high-class specialist in the curing of hams and bacon and in the manufacture of delicatessens and meat specialties. Their plant has been for years in the business center of San Francisco and never a complaint has been lodged against it.

"The alleged protest because of bad odors is a ridiculous arraignment and has no merit except of the 'sour grape' variety. The Moran Company will erect on the old stock yards site at South San Francisco in February next first-class brick and concrete buildings, costing about \$500,000, and will employ about 200 men. These are the simple facts. South San Francisco has secured another high-class industry and she is proud of it."

What's that? Oh! February 1st.

LADIES' FOOD SALE.

The regular monthly Food Sale of the Ladies' Aid will be held on Saturday next at 3 p. m. The committee in charge this month are Mrs. E. I. Woodman, Mrs. D. W. Duncan and Mrs. J. Dann.

GEORGE C. ROSS RECOVERED.

George C. Ross of San Mateo has entirely recovered from his recent illness and was at his office in Redwood City Thursday for the first time since his attack.

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO FREE EXHIBIT

**MAGNIFICENT OIL PAINTING OF
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO ON DIS-
PLAY IN THE CHRONICLE
BUILDING, 680 MARKET STREET,
SAN FRANCISCO.**

The enterprising firm of E. C. Peck & Co. have placed on display at 680 Market street for one month a large oil painting of South San Francisco. In connection with this feature are large pictures of each of our industries and with these pictures are samples of the manufactured products of each industry.

The display is an exceedingly expensive one, but judging by the commendatory comments which every newspaper in San Francisco has made about it, the immense crowds which daily visit it and the universal expressions of surprise at the bigness and class of South San Francisco's industrial and municipal makeup, the exhibition will more than repay the promoters.

Every citizen in South San Francisco should see this display and "see himself as others see him." The exhibit is under the auspices of the manufacturers of South San Francisco and the chamber of commerce of South San Francisco.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS TOLD IN BRIEF

Died—In this city, on Christmas eve, Mrs. Freda Stuermann, wife of Charles Stuermann.

The local postoffice clerks made very good time this year in the pre-holiday rush and no packages were lost.

The South San Francisco municipal band will give a grand ball in Metropolitan Hall this evening for the benefit of the band. Admission 25 cents, ladies free.

Don't forget the barn dance to be given by the Night Owls in Metropolitan Hall on Saturday evening, January, 27th at 8 o'clock. Good union music and general admission 25 cents.

James P. Moon, prominently connected with Swift & Co., spent several days here this week looking over the company's interests. Mr. Moon has not been on this coast for several years and he expressed his surprise in the wonderful developments made in South San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Smith and family moved to Berkeley to-day to be near their son, Reuben Jr., who is attending the University of California. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are among the oldest citizens of this young city and their departure is sincerely regretted. Mrs. Smith has ever been one of the most energetic leaders and workers in behalf of the various social and charitable affairs that help make the life of a community. She is also a member of the Woman's Club.

From the San Francisco Daily News—read this, Land Company! Here is a concrete example of ourselves as others see us. "Nuf said."

AN ADVERTISING SUGGESTION.

South San Francisco is a hustling suburb, and it maintains a big billboard alongside the Southern Pacific tracks to invite travelers to locate there "where road and rail and water meet," as the billboard puts it.

And where do you suppose they've set up that 75-foot sign?

Right squat in the center of a monster mudpuddle!

The sign sure calls attention to the puddle, all right, but it might be a better ad for South San Francisco if they'd dump some gravel in there.—Editorial San Francisco Daily News, December 29, 1916.

EDWARDS WIRE WORKS LETS CON- TRACT FOR ADDITIONAL BUILDINGS

**Overwhelming Orders Compel the Immediate
Doubling of Their Plant.**

The Edwards Wire Works, just beginning operations in their new plant at this city, have found owing to the rapid increase in their business that their factory is totally inadequate to meet requirements. This week the company decided to erect another building. The contract

has already been let and the second unit of their factory will be rushed to completion as speedily as possible. E. H. Edwards says that the employment of men in his factory will be more than doubled under this one increase of facilities and that by another year it will again be doubled.

ANNUAL MEETING AT PACKING HOUSE THIS WEEK

The annual meeting of salesmen of the Western Meat Company was held on last Wednesday and Thursday, December 27th and 28th.

All the representatives of the company were met at the packing house on Wednesday by J. O. Snyder, superintendent, and were conducted through the plant and shown all features of interest, particular attention being given to the different lines represented by the salesmen. They first were taken into the beef-cutting room, where every cut known to the trade was shown to them by actual demonstration; all questions asked by the salesmen were answered by experts, and great benefit was thus derived. Leaving the cutting room they were escorted through all the edible departments, including the killing floors, lard departments, califene rooms, salad oil department, pickle cellars, hog cutting department and the oleo department. After leaving the edible departments the representatives divided and went through the various by-products departments, choosing those of interest to their own special lines. Some of them visited the glue houses, some the commercial fertilizer departments, some the animal fertilizer and tallow departments, while others went through the wool house, etc., all meeting at the entrance to the stockyards and were shown the newly constructed pens and yards. All the representatives were amazed at the vast improvements made since their annual meeting last year, and were astonished at the cleanly condition of the concrete pens and yards. These yards are said to be the most up to date in the country, and recently a prominent

government inspector—after a tour of inspection through them—said, "They are the finest stockyards I have ever seen; they are indeed wonderful, and will compare most favorably with any in the United States, if not in the whole world."

The salesmen, after touring the yards, proceeded to the merchants' exchange building, being met by F. L. Washburn, president of the company, E. B. Shugert, secretary, and other members of the managerial force. After an elaborate luncheon, speeches were made by the following gentlemen: George J. Jobst spoke on "Credits"; M. D. Gallagher, on "Fresh Meats"; William Haaker, on "Provisions"; E. R. Patterson, on "Produce"; R. M. Chaplin, on "By-Products"; F. J. Kelley, on "Our New Route Car Department"; F. J. Coulter, on "Traffic Matters"; J. O. Snyder, on "Quality of Products."

The meeting then adjourned until the following day, when all assembled at Sixth and Townsend streets and inspected the various stocks and supplies on hand. In the evening they formed a very happy and jolly theatre party, attending "Fair and Warner" at the Cort Theatre. This ended the yearly meeting for 1916, it having proved a very beneficial and enjoyable time to all participants.

Who?

Why?

Where?

F. WARREN TURNER IMPROVED.

F. Warren Turner of W. P. Fuller & Co., who has been in St. Luke's Hospital for the last week, following a slight stroke of paralysis, is greatly improved and his complete recovery is expected soon.

Last evening H. Scampini with his new Reo machine, while attempting to turn the corner at Grand and Maple avenues, struck the curb, totally demolishing the left hind wheel, but the driver was uninjured.

AT THE CLOSE

Of to-day's business, this Bank will have paid

\$12,557.25

Interest to Savings Depositors for the year 1916.

Were you one of them? If not, start a savings account

NOW

For the half year ending December 31st, 1916, a dividend has been declared on savings deposits at the rate of four (4) per cent per annum, payable on and after Tuesday, January 2, 1917. A dividend not drawn will be added to the deposit account, become a part thereof and earn dividend from January 1, 1917. Money deposited on or before January 10, 1917, will earn interest from January 1, 1917.

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Sessue Hayakawa in "The Honorable Friend"



Having recently created an unusual personal success in the Jesse L. Lasky production of "The Cheat," in support of Fannie Ward, and in the stellar role of "Alien Souls," Sessue Hayakawa, the noted Japanese actor, will be seen at the Royal Theatre on Thursday, January 4, 1917, in the Jesse L. Lasky production of "The Honorable Friend," a thrilling photodrama written especially for him by Elizabeth McGaffey and prepared for the screen by Eva Unsell.

Sessue Hayakawa is a splendid type of the modern educated Japanese. In Japan his parents had planned that he should become a naval officer in the service of the Mikado, but Hayakawa thought otherwise, and took up the study of drama. Coming to this country, he studied drama at the University of Chicago, and then returned to his native country with Japanese translations of the English classics. He was the first Japanese actor to appear in Shakespearean productions in this country.

Later he returned to this country and met beautiful little Tsuru Aoki, whom he married, and she is always seen as his leading woman in Japanese productions.

Recently the wealthy Japanese of Los Angeles presented Hayakawa with a theatre, where he appears from time to time at the head of his own Japanese company in modern drama.

In "The Honorable Friend," Hayakawa is seen as a young Japanese gardener working for a wealthy and unscrupulous Japanese curio dealer. The old man is desirous of a bride and sends Hayakawa's picture, as his own, to Japan, and Hayakawa is sent to the dock to marry the Japanese girl, having been told that she is to be his own wife. When he brings her before the wealthy old curio dealer, his ideals are shattered as he is informed that she is to be taken away from him. How affairs are finally adjusted and the dishonorable curio dealer receives his just deserts and the two lovers are reunited, is presented in an unusual and most dramatic manner.

This Paramount picture was produced for the Lasky company by Edward Le Saint, and the production is unusual in its excellence. Hayakawa is surrounded by a cast of distinguished artists, including Tsuru Aoki, Raymond Hatton, Billy Elmer, G. Kino and others.

POPULAR MECHANICS MAGAZINE FOR JANUARY

The January Popular Mechanics Magazine comes forward with a wealth of striking material, both in picture and text. Recent developments in the fields of science and mechanics and many ingenious inventions and devices are described. One of these is a tiny wireless receiver which resembles a fountain pen. With it messages sent from stations near by may be picked up. Another interesting invention is an underground wireless telephone. A system of floating safes for installation on ocean liners and a gig buoy designed as a substitute for lifeboats, are novel inventions described in this number.

In "Cutting a Two-Mile Slice from a Crowded City Street," Thomas H. Russell writes of the widening of Twelfth street, Chicago, which is now being carried out as a part of its "City Beautiful" plan. Houses are pushed back, trimmed off, or torn down to make room for the new Twelfth street, which is some forty feet wider than the old.

The marvelous work of the war surgeons in repairing the maimed is described by Searle Hendee in Part II of "Salvaging Human Wrecks from War's Scrap Heap."

In "Trying to Beat the Blockade," R. J. Bjurstedt tells of the remarkable collection of contraband articles now reposing in the "museum" of the British postal censorship. These were intercepted in their passage through the first-class or letter mail, and range from imitation pearls to big bundles of cowhides.

A system of floor-water conversation now being applied in the southwest, whereby all flood water is used to replenish irrigation wells, thus becoming a source of profit instead of

damage is described by Victor W. Killick.

Other articles of much interest describe the laying of the telephone cable from the mainland to Nantucket; the Zeppelin observation car; a large aeronautic motor which the United States navy is testing; aluminum propellers for aeroplanes; New York's floating police station; spotlights used to protect traffic officers, and so on.

The illustrations, 386 of them, are up to the magazine's usual high standard. Among the page views are shown the guns of the dreadnaught Pennsylvania; the battleship Arizona, lately put in commission; unusual scenes from civic parades and carnivals; views from the various theatres of war; furniture designed especially for children; novelties, and children's pages.

The Shop Notes department gives directions for building a wing-joint frame barn and for making an electrical generator, besides the usual number of shorter articles offering practical hints and suggestions. The Amateur Mechanics department tells how to make a coasting toboggan, a model stiff-leg derrick, a home-made vulcanizer, steering gear for a bob-sled, and many other articles. Both departments are well illustrated.

Couldn't Tell.

"Has your pocket ever been picked?"

"Really, I don't know. It never was before I got married. If it has been since I of course would have no way of finding out about it."

For Rent—371 De Long street, cozy cottage of four rooms, bath and gas; large garden and chicken yard. Key at Schafer's bakery, Daly City. Advt.

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ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES OF MAIL.

Mail arrives—	
From the north at.....	6:47 a. m.
" " south ".....	11:58 a. m.
" " north ".....	12:13 p. m.
" " south ".....	2:18 p. m.
" " north ".....	3:41 p. m.
" " south ".....	4:26 p. m.
Mail leaves—	
For the south at.....	6:47 a. m.
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" " south ".....	11:58 a. m.
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" " south ".....	4:26 p. m.
" " north ".....	7:03 p. m.

D. McSWEENEY, P. M.

South San Francisco

RAILROAD TIME TABLE

April 20, 1916.

BAY SHORE CUTOFF

Northbound Trains Leave.	Southbound Trains Leave.
*6:03 a. m.	2:48 a. m.
*7:01 a. m.	6:47 a. m.
*7:14 a. m.	*7:17 a. m.
*7:42 a. m.	8:28 a. m.
*8:02 a. m.	10:58 a. m.
*8:43 a. m.	11:57 a. m.
9:23 a. m.	1:36 p. m.
9:53 a. m.	3:17 p. m.
11:28 a. m.	4:36 p. m.
1:42 p. m.	*5:24 p. m.
2:42 p. m.	5:57 p. m.
5:14 p. m.	*6:25 p. m.
5:32 p. m.	6:47 p. m.
7:04 p. m.	8:27 p. m.
7:28 p. m.	10:16 p. m.
*11:23 p. m.	*12:02 p. m.
*11:39 p. m.	

*Except Sunday.

†Except Saturday and Sunday.

‡Saturday and Sunday.

§Theatre Train.

CITY OFFICIALS

TRUSTEES—J. H. Kelley (President), F. A. Cunningham, M. F. Healy, G. W. Holston, Geo. H. Wallace, Clerk and Deputy Tax Collector, W. J. Smith, Treasurer, E. P. Kauffmann, Attorney, J. W. Coleberd, Engineer and Supt. of Streets, George A. Kneese, Recorder, J. J. Dowd, Marshal, H. W. Kneese, Night Watchman, W. P. Acheson, Health Officer, Dr. J. C. McGovern, SCHOOL TRUSTEES—C. C. Conrad, E. N. Brown, J. J. Dowd.

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Officials—First Township

Supervisor, James T. Casey, Justices of the Peace, E. C. Johnson, John F. Davis, Constables, James C. Wallace, S. A. Landini.

THE BEST SHOW WINDOW IN TOWN IS AN AD IN THIS PAPER

NOTICE INVITING SEALED PROPOSALS FOR STREET CLEANING WORK IN THE CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO.

Sealed proposals will be received by the Trustees of the City of South San Francisco until 8:00 o'clock p. m. on Monday the 8th day of January, 1917, for doing the following work in the City of South San Francisco, County of San Mateo, State of California:

Cleaning of paved streets, culverts and catch basins within the City of South San Francisco for the period of one (1) year.

All said street cleaning work must be done in strict compliance with the specifications adopted by said Board of Trustees on the 20th day of November, 1916, and now on file in the office of the City Clerk. The successful bidder shall within five (5) days after the award enter into a contract with the City of South San Francisco for the faithful performance of the work to be done under said award.

No proposal shall be considered unless the same is offered by a citizen of the United States. The bidder to whom is awarded the contract will be required to execute a bond for the faithful performance of his work in an amount equal to Twenty-five (25%) per cent of the amount of his undertaking, with at least two responsible sureties in the full amount of the bid each; and will also be required before entering upon the work to furnish a good and sufficient bond as required by an act of the Legislature of the State of California, approved March 27th, 1897, entitled "An act to secure the claims of material-men, mechanics, or laborers employed by contractors upon State, Municipal or other public work," and will also be required to exhibit to said Board of Trustees a policy of insurance showing that said bidder is insured against loss through accident or negligence in such a way as to satisfactorily protect said City of South San Francisco, under the provisions of the "Workmen's Compensation Insurance and Safety Act of the State of California."

The contract must be entered into in compliance with and subject to the conditions imposed by Section 653c of the Penal Code of the State of California.

Sealed proposals or bids will be delivered to the City Clerk on or before 8:00 o'clock p. m. on Monday, 8th day of January, 1917.

All sealed proposals or bids will be opened by said Board of Trustees in public session on Monday the 8th day of January, 1917, at 8:00 o'clock p. m. in the council chamber of said Board.

The Board of Trustees hereby reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order of the Board of Trustees of the City of South San Francisco.

Dated December 18th, 1916.

WILLIAM J. SMITH, City Clerk.

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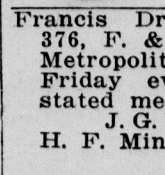
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FRATERNAL DIRECTORY



Bay City Homestead, No. 5527, B. A. Y., meets every Wednesday in Metropolitan Hall at 8 p. m.

O. E. Bohn, Worthy Foreman.
D. W. Wagner, Correspondent.



Francis Drake Lodge, No. 376, F. & A. M., meets at Metropolitan Hall first Friday every month for stated meeting.

J. G. Walker, Master.
H. F. Mingledorf, Secretary.

Tippecanoe Tribe, No. 111, Impd. O. R. M., meets every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in Metropolitan Hall. Visiting brothers welcome.

H. Hyland, Sachem.
Daniel Hyland, Chief of Records.

South City Aerie, No. 1473, F. O. E., meets every Tuesday evening in Metropolitan Hall, 8 o'clock.

Emil Daneri, Worthy President.
W. J. Smith, Secretary.
Visiting brothers welcome.

South City Lodge, No. 832, L. O. O. M., meets in Metropolitan Hall every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting brothers welcome.

M. R. Craig, Dictator.
Henry Veit, Secretary.

Court Violet, No. 1453, Independent Order of Foresters, meets every Tuesday at 8 p. m. in Metropolitan Hall.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1916.

WELCOME NEW INDUSTRIES.

The Moran Packing Company has decided to build its new half-million dollar plant at South San Francisco, instead of Fitchburg, a suburb of Oakland, because residents of Fitchburg made vigorous protests against the location of the meat-packing enterprise in their community. The industrial boosters of Oakland are wild, and are hotly denouncing the short-sighted attitude of the Fitchburg people.

This is something new for Alameda county, for, with the possible exception of Los Angeles, the transbay section has the reputation of being the most active and aggressive community in the state when it comes to fostering new industries. And the Peninsula has been regarded as exceedingly slow to take advantage of its industrial possibilities, South San Francisco and Redwood City being the only places in San Mateo county to keep their eyes and ears open for seekers of manufacturing sites.

The Peninsula compares favorably with the transbay region for industrial purposes. The Dumbarton cut-off gives us a direct overland route by rail, and at several points along the bay shore our deep water facilities are unsurpassed. But, before we can amount to much as an industrial center, we must do what the wideawake merchant does—ADVERTISE. We might have everything here that a manufacturing plant could possibly want; but until we manage to make known what we have to offer, Oakland, Richmond, and other livewire communities will monopolize all the industries, and San Mateo county will have to await the time when there is an overflow from Alameda county.

The Peninsula industrial commission, the development association, the chambers of commerce, the owners of industrial sites and the individual real estate operators, should band together and keep San Mateo county to the front.—San Mateo News, December 28, 1916.

REAL EDUCATION.

The word should not be given too narrow meaning. Book-learning is not complete education.

A list of questions issued by a Chicago professor define education in a broad sense. He says if you can answer "yes" to all the questions you are truly educated. Here are the questions:

Has education given you sympathy with all the good causes and made you espouse them?

Has it made you public-spirited?
Has it made you a brother to the weak?

Have you learned how to make friends and keep them?
Do you know what it is to be a friend yourself?

Can you look an honest man or pure woman in the eye?
Do you see anything to love in a little child?

Will a lonely dog follow you in the street?

Can you be high-minded and happy in the meanest drudgeries of life?

Are you good for anything yourself?

Can you be happy alone?

Can you look out on the world and see anything but dollars and cents?

Can you look into a mud-puddle by the wayside and see a clear sky?

Can you see anything in the puddle but mud?

ARE WE LOSING OUR ENERGY?

If prices of provisions keep on climbing as they have been doing dur-

ing the past year the effect would be a great stimulus to the "back to the farm" movement of which we have heard so much the past decade.

Common sense and observation should teach any man that one of the main causes of the high price of food-stuffs is the growing scarcity of farm labor, and the consequent curtailment of acreage cultivated. Thousands of farmers all over this country, unable to secure adequate help, are gradually curtailing their operations until it is no uncommon sight to see a farm that formerly sold four or five hundred bushels of corn now hardly producing enough to feed the stock and fatten the pork.

Of course we all know that a gang of unprincipled blood-suckers have seized upon the war as an excuse for boosting the price of everything that we consume, but if a scarcity of production did not exist the foreign demand for foodstuffs would be met and there would still remain in this country a sufficient quantity to supply all home demands at reasonable prices.

Just why young men, and older ones, too, should wish to leave the farm and rush off to the overcrowded cities is not easy to understand. True, they work hard on the farm. And equally true, they work even harder in the city and save less. In a majority of cases, unless they are intellectually far above the average of mankind, they live in penury and die in want.

With the present demand for farm products it would certainly appear the height of folly to abandon the certainty of plenty on the farm for the precarious life of the average city dweller.

A New York writer gives as a reason for men leaving the farm that they dread being known as "Country Jakes." That writer is a jackass and his statement a joke. With the present easy means of communication between town and country it is difficult in these days to distinguish the town man from the countryman. If anything, the countryman approaches nearer to masculine perfection than the city cousin.

Looked at from whatever angle we may view it, the question of the future of the farm is serious. That our young men are leaving it by the thousands is a fact. That there are none to replace them is a lamentable fact.

And in endeavoring to locate the cause one is almost forced to the conclusion that the men of this nation are gradually losing that love of honest toil for which their forefathers were noted.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

It may be true that this world is full of good fellows, but there are times when one is forced to the belief that it is a whale of a world.

Here's for a Happy New Year, with hopes that it will not be limited to one.

Let's all buck up and make this "some town" before another Christmas comes ambling along. No, we don't mean only the other fellow. We mean you, individually, and all the rest of the individuals individually and the whole bunch of you collectively. Will you buck?

The present-day method is to talk peace with one hand and smite 'em with the other.

Here's wishing you an abundance of prosperity during the coming year. Now let us have a little of yours.

The high cost of living continues both high and costly.

Long life and much happiness to you, and we'll do our best to keep you company.

One day we are told that dresses will be three inches shorter next season, and the next we hear they are to be ankle length. Oh, this exasperating uncertainty!

All aboard for 1917.

What's that? Oh! February 1st.

Every Saturday at the Linden Hotel, piano and harp lessons given by Mrs. A. A. Kishon (nee Vandenbos); terms reasonable. Advt.

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Mr. Bryan wants a law to compel newspapers to give a greater space for matters government desires published.

Every newspaper is flooded now with requests for publicity from nearly every department and official bureau, state and federal.

Newspapers receive from five to ten letters in a day's mail setting forth the importance and value of services performed by boards, officials and commissions.

Time taken to prepare all this matter, paper and postage, are all at public expense and increase cost of government and seek to expand public functions.

High taxes, high cost of officialism and constant increase of overhead expenses largely are due now to governmental press bureaus.

Why should the newspapers be asked to run all this free of charge?

Watch out on February 1st.

For Sale—Modern five-room bungalow, lot 50x100; small deposit down, balance \$15 month. For particulars see L. M. Pfuger. Take San Mateo car and get off at San Bruno crossing, or phone San Bruno 129. Advt.

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NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Western Fullers Earth Company will be held at its office, Metropolitan Building, Grand and Linden avenues, South San Francisco, San Mateo County, California, Monday, January 15, 1917, at 3 p. m., to elect directors for the ensuing year and transact such other business as may come before the meeting.

J. O. SNYDER, President.
ANDREW HYNDING, Secretary.
12-30-2t

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.

The co-partnership hitherto existing under the name and style of Berlinger & Dischler in the City of South San Francisco, California, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Otto Berlinger has assumed all the obligations of said co-partnership and all accounts hitherto payable to said co-partnership are now payable to the said Otto Berlinger.

Dated at South San Francisco, California, this 18th day of December, 1916.
C. P. DISCHLER,
OTTO BERLINGER.
12-23-2t

REWARD.

One hundred dollars (\$100.00) reward will be paid by the undersigned corporation for information resulting in the arrest and conviction of any person for the crime of unlawfully and maliciously taking down or removing any of its electric transmission lines in violation of Penal Code, Section 593, or for the crime of larceny for stealing any such electric transmission line.
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ROYAL THEATRE

Program for Week Commencing Sunday, December 31st:

Sunday—Lionel Barrymore in "The Quilter."
Monday—Thirteenth episode of "Liberty," "Krazy Kat" and selected comedies.

Tuesday—Owen Moore and Marguerite Courtrot in "Rolling Stones" and cartoon comedy.

Wednesday—Vaudeville and professional troupes.

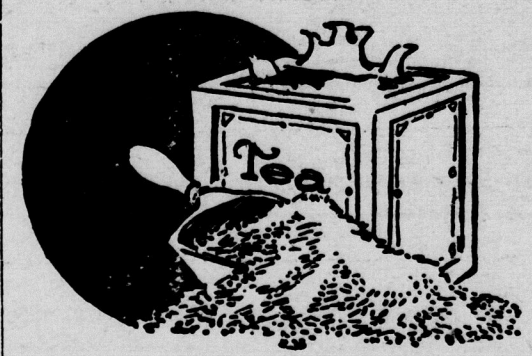
Thursday—Sessue Hayakawa in "The Honorable Friend" and a pictograph.
Friday—Nineteenth episode of "Iron Claw," "The Girl from Frisco" and selected comedies.

Saturday—Feature drama, Chas. Ray in "The Deserter," five parts, Fatty Arbuckle in "The Other Man," two-part Keystone.

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LOOKING A YEAR AHEAD.

What will the year 1917 mean to this town, to this community, to this people?

What will your personal attitude toward the making of a better town, a more prosperous community, a more open-hearted people?

The efforts of the individual citizen may accomplish something. The co-operation of a collective people will produce notable results.

Collective co-operation is only possible where confidence and good-will exist, and where there is a determination to utilize this combination to the ultimate good of all.

The man who holds a grudge against his neighbor can not successfully pull in harness with that neighbor so long as that grudge exists. Lose the grudge.

The man who disparages and undermines the reputation of another can not expect the community in general to think well of the assassinator of character. Speak gently and use the soft pedal.

The man who says "go ahead" can not expect to keep pace with the hustler who says "come on." Step lively and get there.

Any one man who says "I Will" is worth a hundred of those who say "I Can't."

This is the time of year when the hopper of time is filled with new resolutions. But is it more profitable to act than to resolve.

Let us make this a year of action, of deeds and of results.

Let us make this more than a collection of individuals. Let us make it a community of people with one aim, one ambition and one great purpose in life, and let us make that purpose the good of man and womankind in general and of this community in particular.

If we work collectively and earnestly and energetically we will achieve success, but if we labor individually we will accomplish but little.

The road of life is long and stormy, and barriers bar our way. But many hands make light work of the heaviest burdens, and collective might may roll the heaviest barriers away.

We may each pursue our own chosen vocations, and yet all labor in the common cause of a better and more prosperous town and countryside.

Two horses pulling in one direction will get the load there. But when one pulls and the other balks the load stands still.

Will 1917 find us a community of loyal pullers, or a divided aggregation of pullers and balkers who accomplish nothing but to stand still?

Nineteen seventeen will tell the story, and you will put the words in the mouth of the teller.

What are those words going to be?

Will they be loyalty, cohesion, aggressiveness, success? Or will they be disloyalty, suspicion, disintegration, disaster?

A year of promise is ahead, but promise never makes good unaided and alone.

We must each grasp the opportunities with which nature has provided us, and turn those opportunities to individual and collective weal.

To do otherwise will be to stand still while others march on to victory and to success.

Shall we stand, or shall we march? You tell.

NEW CITIZENS FOR SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO

The list of new citizens for this city is as follows: Joe Piva, Portugal; John Garrone, Italy; Guesseppi Prandi, Italy; Noccedemio Glianecchini, Italy; Peter Benedetto, Italy; John Francesco Benedetto, Italy; Ambrose Tapella, Italy; John Brussa, Italy; John Ferrando, Italy; Battista Joe Rodondi, Italy; Paul Svanosio, Italy; Luigi Merlo, Italy; George E. Brunner, Canada; Felice Brocchini, Italy.

The Metropolitan Cafe is the place to go for a good meal at moderate prices, 25 cents a meal. Bring your family. Meal tickets, 21 meals, \$5. Special chicken dinner with wine on Sunday, 50 cents. All drinks from bar served in dining room. Private booths for the ladies. Good home cooking, also short order service. Advt.

GIFTS FOR BELGIUM AND NORTHERN FRANCE

(Copy of cable from Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of commission for relief in Belgium.)

"Our present supply of clothing materials and clothing for destitute in Belgium and northern France will be exhausted during the winter. We shall have millions of men, women and children short of warm clothing and shoes. As it has proved impossible to procure an adequate supply of new material and clothing we have arranged for import of second-hand clothing. We appeal to our American supporters to send us second-hand clothing. It is important they should consist of substantial material which can be remade particularly woolen.

"We have scores of workrooms in Belgium and northern France where thousands of women devote themselves to preparation and repair of clothing. We could repair shoes if substantial and you can send us suitable leather scraps.

"The general exhaustion has reduced our former supplies from other quarters of the world to a point where we are wholly dependent on the American people."

Gifts should be sent to commission for relief in Belgium, 1009 Mills building, San Francisco.

HAYWARD PLACE IS LEASED; ALSO LESSERMANN

William J. Graef, inspector United States public health service, has rented the Judson house in Wellesley Park, Redwood City. Graef has been stationed in Contra Costa county for several years in the government service and expects to remain there for some time.

C. W. Helser, who has been occupying the Lessermann home on the highway, has leased the Hayward home in the Highlands, and W. L. Busk of San Francisco who intends engaging in business in Redwood, has leased the Lessermann place vacated by Helser.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY WINS FIVE-YEAR-OLD BET

Redwood City, Dec. 28.—District Attorney Franklin Swart wore a new hat to-day. It came from George Sneath, San Bruno capitalist, in payment of a bet made five years ago. Sneath bet the county would never win its fight to make the Spring Valley Water Company bury a large box flume that ran along San Bruno's main street. After a four-year legal battle, the flume has been removed. San Bruno citizens will celebrate the event at a ball Saturday night.

E. EIKERENKOTTER REACHES HONOLULU

"Mal de mer" has no terrors for Earl Eikerenkotter, who left Redwood City on the 5th of December and shipped on the transport Sheridan for Honolulu, and from whom letters have been received stating that, regardless of a very rough trip, he was not inconvenienced by the land-lubber's misery.

Eikerenkotter arrived in Honolulu and after a brief stay left there for Guam on the 14th of December.

Pigs' Feet in the Pit.

Salaries at the early New York theatres were extremely small. But if the salaries were small so were the prices of admission. One shilling, 12½ cents, let you into the gallery or the pit, and if you didn't have the shilling the mercenary management forced you to pay 13 cents. So the boys got the habit of changing their money at a fishwoman's on the corner, who for 15 cents obligingly gave them a shilling and a pig's foot. They handed in the shilling at the door and during the course of the evening presented the well-picked bone to the management by way of some unfortunate in the pit or on the stage.

Not So Sudden at That.

"Oh, please, Miss Jeanne!" begged the youth earnestly, "do not call me Mr. Durand."

"Oh, but our acquaintance is so short, you know!" she said coyly. "But why should I not call you that?"

"Well," hesitated the young man, "principally because my name is Dupont."

FRATERNAL ORDERS

Improved Order of Red Men.

(By George W. Hagedorn.)

"Tis said that when you bring sunshine into the life of another, some of it is sure to abide in your own."

This opportunity was demonstrated Thursday evening at the big Christmas tree, given for all the kiddies of South San Francisco by Tippecanoe Tribe, No. 111.

The rare opportunity of witnessing talent that is the envy of the most severe critic was given the several hundreds of children who attended, and will never be effaced from their memory.

The program, as follows, was rendered by all with that Christmas spirit that brought the good cheer of happiness to all.

"That Song of Songs for Me," sung by Helen Carmody, accompanied by Mary Carmody, was well received and applauded by all.

Frederick Schmidt, accompanied by Jack Martin, made a tremendous hit.

A solo by John Savant, accompanied by Silvio Savant, shows that our talent is exceptionally good.

The duet by Professor A. L. Cappelli and Jack Martin showed the appreciative audience what well-trained artists can do.

The solo, "Chaleati Soldier," rendered by Mrs. Cappelli and accompanied by Jack Martin, brought out an outburst of applause that shook the building. This encore was followed by the sextet from "Lucia," Mrs. Cappelli being accompanied by Professor A. L. Cappelli and Jack Martin.

Mrs. Cappelli's magnificent voice with all the wonderful power and beauty of tone, makes her one of the greatest singers in California. The Christmas spirit spoke through the silence of the night into the hearts and minds and souls. It crept into each life and made magic its call.

The accompanists, whose perfect tone, resonant and sweet, lent harmony into the souls of the masters, were a rare treat to all present.

The one-act comedy, "The Chinese Laundry," by Leo Bonalanza, F. Joseph and Gene Lippi, was a roaring success, the kiddies enjoying it immensely.

The new South San Francisco orchestra furnished the very latest selections and is a credit to our city.

The lucky winner of the beautiful cut-glass water set was Anthony Maderias, the judges being E. Fourcans and Supervisor-elect Thomas Hickey.

Saint Nicholas called upon several of the younger generation, asking them if they had been good children. He led the grand march, accompanied by the largest crowd of young Americans ever congregated together at one time where 500 presents and candies were handed out to them. The tree was beautiful and the committee received the thanks of all for the good time shown everybody.

The committee wishes to thank all who participated and helped to show the kiddies the time of their lives.

Too Busy to Grow.

The diminutive office boy had worked hard on a salary of two dollars a week. He was a subdued chap, faithful and quiet. Finally, just before Christmas, he plucked up courage enough to ask for an increase.

"How much more would you like?" inquired his employer.

"Well," answered the lad, "I don't think fifty cents more a week would be too much."

"You are rather a small boy to be earning two dollars and a half a week."

"I know I am small," he replied, "but, to tell the truth, since I have worked here I've been so busy I haven't had time to grow."

But He Came Back.

A Kansas City woman gave her husband \$125 to go away and stay. Four days later the money was all gone and, naturally, the husband came back. If she had taken the wiser plan and had arranged with a trustee to pay it to him in installments of \$1 a day the wife wouldn't have been bothered for 125 days. There's nothing like the installment plan when it comes to household finances.

FOREST NOTES.

(From the Forest Service, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, San Francisco Office.)

During the fiscal year 1916, 705,872 acres of national forest timber lands were estimated and mapped intensively and 1,093,006 extensively. In all, 20,815,798 acres have been mapped by intensive methods and 47,291,660 by extensive methods.

The work of classifying and opening to homestead entry such lands in the national forests as are chiefly valuable for agriculture is progressing rapidly. Already over seventy million acres have been covered by field examinations and the final reports acted upon.

Investigations by the forest products laboratory at Madison, Wisconsin, have resulted in the use of spent tanbark in the manufacture of asphalt shingles to the extent of 160 tons per week. The value of the bark has been thereby increased from 60 cents to \$2.50 per ton.

There were cut from the national forests in the fiscal year 1916, 604,920,000 board feet of timber. Of this amount 119,483,000 board feet was cut under free use privilege by 42,055 individuals. In all, 10,840 sales of timber were made, of which 97 per cent were under \$100 in value, indicating the extent to which the homesteader, rancher, miner, small millman and others in need of a limited quantity of timber draw upon the forests.

A Long Way to the Other One.

Count Karolyn, according to the Vossische Zeitung, returning to his castle in Hungary, met one of his old servants who had just been sent back wounded from the war.

"My good man, I hear you fought so valiantly at the front," said the count, "I would like to give you some reward. What shall it be?"

The old servant replied:

"Well, if you insist upon it, sir, just give me enough kronen coins to reach from one ear to the other."

"That seems to be a very little reward," replied the count, smiling at the odd request.

"It's enough for me, sir," answered the servant modestly.

As the count was beginning to comply with the strange request he noticed that the servant had only one ear and remarked upon the fact.

"Yes sir. I left the other ear on the battlefield at Shabatz," answered the modest man.

NOTICE.

I intend to start a vegetable market at Giorgi & Co.'s store at the southeast corner of Grand and Cypress avenues. My stand will be open for business between the hours of 7 and 10 o'clock a. m. Special prices for hotels and restaurants. Phone 19. V. ORSETTI.

Advt.

McCARTHY DIVORCE SUIT IS SET FOR JANUARY 9TH

Redwood City, Dec. 28.—That attorneys in the sensational divorce suit of Mrs. Mayzellia Ann McCarthy, San Mateo club woman, against Dr. Charles F. McCarthy of San Francisco failed to reach the compromise for which they have been working for months was indicated to-day, when they asked to have the case set for trial. Judge George H. Buck set the hearing for January 9th.

He Heard Nothing.

On a business trip to the city a farmer decided to take home to his wife a Christmas present of a shirt-waist. Going into a store and being directed to the waist department, he asked of the lady clerk to show him some.

"What bust?" asked she. The farmer looked around quickly and answered: "I don't know, I did not hear anything."

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"Ah, dear me, dear me," sighed Mrs. Copman. "What a world of trouble this is."

Her son-in-law looked up from the newspaper he was reading. He was a tall, handsome man of thirty, with soft, dark eyes; here and there a silver streak in his hair.

"Is there any new trial developing itself?" he asked kindly.

"No," said Mrs. Copman; "nothing especial, except that Marion wants the green parlor for a studio. There's such an excellent north light in it, you know."

"Well," said Henry Charteris, "why not let her have it?"

"But what shall we do for a reception room?" said the old lady.

"Take my library," suggested he.

"My dear Henry! And all the books—what is to become of them? But dear Marion would be so delighted if only the plan were practicable."

"Put them in my bedroom," said Mr. Charteris, absently. "Floyd can easily knock up a few shelves there. It is a pity that Marion should be disturbed in the prosecution of her art."

"You are always so kind and thoughtful," said Mrs. Copman, brightening up, as she hurried away to give the necessary directions.

Floyd, Mr. Charteris' faithful Scotch servant, stared glantly when the old lady issued her orders.

"My master's library," said he, "up to his bedroom. Wherever will I put the books?"

"Oh, there's plenty of room for a few shelves," said Mrs. Copman, briskly. "And if there should be a volume or two left over, they can easily be put in the closet under the stairs, which has a good large window looking over the stables."

Floyd whistled under his breath, but there was nothing for it but to obey.

"I never see such a mother-in-lawed house as this in all my life!" said he to the housekeeper, with a groan. "Here's Mr. Harry crowded into the bedroom in the north wing, and the closet under the stairs, while Mrs. Copman and her three Gordon-faced daughters have usurped the whole house with their studios and their music rooms and their boudoirs and the mischief only knows what all."

The housekeeper shook her head.

"Ah, you may well say so," said she "And that ain't the worst of it, neither, Floyd."

"Eh?" said the old man.

"How long is it since Mrs. Charteris—poor lady!—died?" mysteriously questioned Mrs. Akers.

"Sixteen—seventeen months, ain't it?" asked Floyd. "But why?"

"Ah," said the housekeeper, "when the two years are up she'll make him marry one of the three sisters! You'll see."

"But they're not one of 'em under forty, and as plain as pikestaffs," ejaculated Floyd, in dismay.

"You'll find as that won't make any difference," said Mrs. Akers, gloomily. "That's what she's got her eye on, as true as you're alive, Floyd. And she never yet failed in what she made up her mind to do."

While Mrs. Akers and Mr. Floyd were engaged in this discussion of family affairs, Mrs. Copman was cheerfully bustling about, ordering the maids, tormenting the footman, suggesting this, that and the other thing to her three bony, high-cheeked daughters, Marion, Arabella and Melicent—until, suddenly glancing up, she chanced to observe a light figure, clad in a pretty pink muslin, with a floating white scarf, enter the greenhouse door, across the garden. She rang the bell, energetically.

"Floyd," said she, "who is that—that person in the garden?"

"It's Miss Letty Jane, the parson's daughter," said Floyd. "At least," coughing behind his hand, "it looks like her."

"And what is she doing in our greenhouses, I'd like to know?" demanded Mrs. Copman, hotly.

"She goes there to get flowers for

her wax-works, ma'am," said Floyd. "My master—"

"Your master would allow himself to be preyed upon by every one in the village, if he hadn't some one to protect him," said Mrs. Copman, severely. "Go at once, Floyd—or stay! I believe I had better go myself. This sort of thing must be put a stop to."

And she hurried out to the greenhouse, where pretty Jetty Lane was culling sprays of white stephanotis, in an unconsciously graceful attitude, as she reached up among the glossy, dark-green branches for the star-like blossoms.

"Oh," said Mrs. Copman, stiffly; "Miss Lane, I believe."

Jetty paused and turned. Only home from boarding school three months, she had never met Mrs. Copman face to face before.

"It's the terrible mother-in-law," she said to herself, and she answered aloud:

"Yes, I am getting a few flowers to model in wax, and—"

"Ah!" said Mrs. Copman. "But perhaps you hadn't better get any more. The flowers don't bloom very profusely, and my daughters like them for their hair. Besides, Mr. Charteris doesn't approve of the whole neighborhood running riot through his grounds."

Jetty's deep-blue eyes flashed.

"Madam," said she, "did Mr. Charteris tell you to say this?"

"N-not exactly," faltered the sour-visaged widow, "but—"

"Then," said Jetty, "you have been guilty of a very rude and inhospitable action." And, flinging her white buds and blossoms on the tiled floor of the greenhouse, she walked out like a princess.

"Well, I never!" said Mrs. Copman, scarcely knowing whether to be most indignant or surprised at this imperial conduct.

While Jetty Lane hurried on, never stopping to shed tears which seemed to scale her resolute eyelids until she was safe in the little hazel copse; and once there, under the cool, quivering boughs of the trees, she burst into a passion of tears.

"Miss Jane! Jetty!" uttered a remonstrating voice.

"Yes, I know," said Jetty, laughing and sobbing in the same breath. "I'm very foolish, and ought to know better. But it isn't pleasant to be turned out of a place."

"What do you mean?" said Henry Charteris, gravely.

And Jetty told all.

A dark frown gathered over his countenance. He had known that Mrs. Copman and his three sisters-in-law were selfish, arrogant and domineering. He had been quite aware that he was little more than a prisoner of state in his own home; he had even formed some vague idea that Arabella, the youngest and least hard-favored of the three, had designs upon his heart. As far as he personally was concerned, it mattered not one straw. But now that innocent, dewy-eyed Jetty had been thus ruthlessly attacked, things assumed quite a different aspect. He looked down upon the sweet, blushing face; he took both the little hands in his.

"Jetty," said he, "this is an uneven battle. One widow and three spinsters against an unprotected specimen of the genus homo. Yet I think if I had an efficient lieutenant I could defeat the enemy yet. Will you join the ranks?"

"I—I don't think I understand you!" faltered Jetty.

"You are eighteen—I am thirty," he went on. "And yet, Jetty, I feel young enough in my heart to be your match. Dear little Jetty, will you be my wife? Do you love me, Jetty?"

And Jetty answered bravely:

"Yes, I will be your wife, Mr. Charteris. I do love you and," she added, artlessly, "I have loved you ever since I first came home from school, and met you at the Sunday school picnic under the maple trees."

Mrs. Copman and her three daughters had been to New York to order their spring vacation wardrobes—charged to Mr. Charteris' account, of course—and it was late in the afternoon of the third day of their absence when they returned, cross, irritable and tired—Marion a shade redder-

nosed than usual, Arabella more pettish, Melicent more blowsy and coarse. To their amazement and indignation, the sound of one of Schubert's nocturnes floated out from the parlor window as they advanced.

"Who is presuming to play on our piano?" said Mrs. Copman, in a towering rage.

"And the windows all open, too—fading the parlor carpet!" screamed Miss Melicent.

"As sure as you live, mamma," gasped Arabella, "it's that bold parson's daughter, Jetty Lane."

"The impudence of some people!" cried Marion. "When mamma as good as ordered her off the premises not a month ago!"

"Henry!" said Mrs. Copman, sourly, as she caught sight of her son-in-law, who was serenely smoking his cigar, just inside of the casement, "why is it that the carriage was not sent as usual to meet us? Why are we compelled to walk all the way from the depot in this broiling heat? And what is that young woman here for?" as she caught sight of Jetty's white dress in the background of the large, dim room.

"The carriage was not sent for you," said Mr. Charteris, calmly, with a slight suspicion of a smile, "because Mrs. Charteris was using it."

"Mrs. Charteris," gasped the widow, dropping at least half a dozen of her precious bundles in the path, while Henry, as he spoke, led forward the lovely young bride, all in white, with cheeks like pale roses.

"Mrs. Charteris," he repeated. My wife! Let me present you and the Misses Copman to her."

And that was the end of the complication. For of course Mrs. Copman and her daughters were too high-spirited to remain under the same roof with such a dimpled and lovely young usurper. And they removed all that belonged to them and a good deal more that didn't, from the house the next day in high dudgeon.

"To think what fools men are!" regretfully said the widow. "When dear Henry was so comfortable with me and the three girls."

But, apparently, dear Henry was of quite a different way of thinking from Mrs. Copman. For as he stood with Jetty on the terrace, watching the carriage drive away which contained the widow and her daughters, he said: "My dear, I feel as if a nightmare were lifted off my life. And now—we can begin to be happy."

Fire Averages.

Following is an extract from an article in Farm and Fireside on preventing and fighting fires:

Fires in our homes are so frequent that the insurance companies tell us that we have about one chance in sixty of being burnt out some time in the course of a lifetime. But in the same breath they tell us that more than half the fires could be prevented if people understood the commonest causes of them and knew just what to do when a fire starts. Smokers are responsible for thousands of fires, and rats and mice cause many others by nibbling at sulphur-tipped matches. Fires which start in closets are often caused by matches being left in clothes or by oily cloths which have been stored away. Many of the floor polishing mixtures contain highly explosive oils and spontaneous combustion may start from a nest of these cleaning cloths if placed in a closet near the chimney.

How He Got Even.

An excitable motorist, having been stopped by a policeman, became angry and, among other things, called the policeman an ass. After he had paid his fine the judge reproved him for what he had said to the officer.

"Then I must not call a policeman an ass?" he asked.

"Certainly not," answered the judge. "You must not insult the police."

"But you don't mind if I call an ass 'policeman,' do you?"

"Why, no," smiled the judge, "not if it gives you any satisfaction."

The motorist retired to the door. Then with a sweeping bow to the judge and to the officer who arrested him, he said:

"Good-day, policeman."

For Rent—New four-room house and bath; \$16 month. E. C. Peck Co., 222 Linden avenue. Advt.

INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

CALIFORNIA INDUSTRIES PROGRESS STEADILY — RAILROAD WORK, POWER ENTERPRISES, OIL DEVELOPMENT AND FARMING POUR MILLIONS INTO STATE—TAXES MUST BE HELD DOWN AND FREAK LAWS ELIMINATED AT COMING SESSION OF LEGISLATURE.

(For week ending Dec. 26, 1916.)

San Rafael—Water board lets contract for \$257,500 Alpine tunnel, to be completed in 560 days. San Rafael Elks lay cornerstone for their new temple here. The proposed attempt to fix the price of fish by law in California is another piece of freak legislation. There is rapid expansion of the sugar beet industry and sugar factories in California.

Kerman—Southern Pacific Company takes off passenger train and puts on gasoline cars. With shorter hours and higher wages for employees, the gasoline car will undoubtedly have a wider use in future as a means of solving the labor problem. Bonuses of 10 per cent of their salaries will be paid in two semi-annual installments to unorganized employees of Southern Pacific Company whose salaries are below \$2500 a year. This is in recognition of the high cost of living and unusual business conditions.

Taft—North McKittrick front very active, many wells being drilled and companies preparing for next year's work.

Redding—Mountain Copper Company and Balakala Copper Company joined with Mammoth Copper Company in raising wages of all employees 25 cents a day, dating December 1st. Increase to last as long as copper is 25 cents or better. Two thousand men affected.

Yreka—Railroad to unite Grenada and Yreka said to be an assured fact. It is believed that the oil commission appointed to settle fight between navy department and California oil operators, after hearing the oil men will grant speedy relief. It is to be hoped so, as it means much to the California oil industry.

Davis—Work started on rebuilding burned district here.

Bishop—About sixty-five carloads shipped from Inyo county.

Tulare—220 acres, near Oakdale, sold for \$50,000.

Riverside—Sterns-Rodgers Company of Denver would erect \$1,000,000 sugar factory here if 10,000 acres of beet land is signed up.

Fresno reports total of about \$750,000 spent on new buildings this year. A New Year's present of a 5 per cent increase in wages will be given by the Standard Oil Company in California to all its employees receiving \$250 a month or less. On January 1st also the minimum daily wage for unskilled labor will be set at \$3. Nearly 10,000 employees will be benefited. The increased cost of living is given as the reason. An increase of 10 per cent was made for employees of the same class last May. The Santa Fe railroad has expended in California for improvement work this year approximately \$1,938,791.09. Heavier car loading and more prompt loading and unloading is reducing the car shortage to a marked degree. Legislation is proposed to do away with continuous resubmission of measure twice defeated by voters at general election.

Inglewood—\$12,000 theatre to be built here.

Los Angeles—Union Oil Company buys 230 acres of land and plans to build \$2,500,000 refinery and wharf.

Los Angeles—\$30,000 to be spent by Dominguez Land and Water Company draining land flooded by last winter's rains.

Alameda—Stanford University tract on Encinal avenue to be improved. Will build 300 bungalows costing about \$2000 each.

Visalia—Construction of railroad into Terra Bella district brings \$10,000 citrus packing house to Grand View heights.

El Segundo—Standard Oil Company installs system of pipes on sea bottom around pier which by air pressure through small holes in them calms the sea and protects pier.

Los Banos—Creamery installed here. Stratford—Andrew Carnegie has offered to build a branch library in every town in county providing county pays 10 per cent of expense. There is no logical reason why railroad legis-



FOR UTILITY.

This youthful suit is featured in a dark terra cotta worsted handsomely cut and trimmed with novelty bone buttons. A convertible collar is lined with squirrel, which bands the cuffs.

lation should not be placed under one national board. It would help railroad credit and encourage needed development. Even some sections of California are complaining of coal shortage. This simply illustrates the absolute necessity of the early passage of workable water power legislation by congress in order that our inexhaustible white coal resources may be developed.

How Did He Know?

Little Helen had been curiously inquisitive one evening, and her father, who had patiently answered her questions, was becoming exasperated.

Finally she said: "Papa, what do you do at the office all day?"

Papa's patience gave way and he replied: "Oh, nothing!"

Helen pondered over this answer for a moment and returned to the charge with: "But how do you know when you are done?"

Saved Him the Trouble.

"My son," said the elderly millionaire at the close of a heart-to-heart talk on the subject of extravagance, "when I was your age I carried water for a gang of section hands."

"Fine for you, dad!" answered the gilded youth. "I am proud of you. If it hadn't been for your pluck and perseverance I might have had to do something of that sort myself."

He Knew Hopkins.

"Why not try Hopkins for a subscription to our fund?" asked the treasurer at the charity meeting.

"Hopkins?" repeated the president. "No, I know Hopkins. He's like the letter P—first in pity and last in help."

Household Strife.

"You're pretty easy to see through," said the chair leg to the window. "I make all these chairs stand around."

"That may be," replied the scorned window, "but I think I win by a shade."

"What do you know about the language of the flowers, Bill?" asked the latter's college roommate.

"Well," said Bill, "I know this much about it: a five-dollar box of roses talks a heap louder to a girl than a fifty-cent bunch of carnations."



News Snapshots Of the Week

man tanks were in evidence in the fighting in Roumania; it is said they are larger and better equipped than those used by Great Britain. Archduke Charles Stephen of Austria was named regent of Poland by the central powers. B. F. Bosse, mayor of Evansville, Ind., moved to establish municipal markets to reduce the high cost of living. Americans shipped thousands of tons of supplies on the United States steamship Caesar to relieve war sufferers in Syria.

CALIFORNIA NEWS ITEMS IN BRIEF

The population of San Francisco, according to recent estimate, is 463,516.

The total registrations of motor vehicles of the State for 1916 are 229,599.

The total income of the State Motor Vehicle Department on next year's business is already \$453,399.

While reading a newspaper in his home, George M. Goodrich, veteran guard at San Quentin, dropped dead last week.

Irrigationists of Kings river approve a plan for a conservation dam, at an estimated cost of \$9,000,000, at Pine Flat, Fresno county.

Two young women clerks in a Los Angeles grocery store received a box of poisoned candy last week. The matter is being investigated.

Governor Johnson granted commutations of sentence to three convicts in San Quentin and Folsom prisons, on recommendation of the State Pardon Board.

An election will be held in the Merced Union High School district within the next month to determine where to locate the new \$150,000 high school building.

Sugar beet raisers of the State hope to form a State organization similar to the raisin and prune growers' associations, and steps toward that end are now being taken.

Christmas day Thomas S. Hawkins, manager of the Hollister branch of the Bank of Italy, divided a fortune of \$102,000 equally among his three sons as a Christmas present.

Bales of hay loaded with chunks of adobe soil weighing fifteen and twenty pounds have been received by dealers of Nevada City. The hay costs \$25 per ton, besides the freight.

Earl Renwick, 3 years old, was fatally burned while playing near a hot stove in his home in Richmond and died half an hour later. His dress caught fire from embers from the stove.

The Federal Government is preparing to collect \$7,000,000 in income taxes from the Northern California and Nevada district this year, an increase of \$4,000,000 over last year's levy.

John Diakakis, a marine fireman, was taken into custody by Surveyor of the Port Justus Wardell at San Francisco following the finding of two cans of opium hidden in his shoes on the tug Tatoosh.

Superintendent of Weights and Measures Charles J. Johnson began an attempt last week to prevail upon bakers throughout the State to maintain the bread standard at 12 ounces for the 5-cent loaf.

The Sutter County Chamber of Commerce has appointed a special legislative committee of fifteen land owners, who will review every bit of legislation presented at the next session of the Legislature.

A default has been entered in Superior Judge Cabanis' court in San Francisco by Mrs. Aimee Smith, wife of Art Smith, birdman, against whom Smith commenced proceedings seven months ago.

Consolidation of several departments of city and county government and combining some of the city offices to reduce taxes were some of the things proposed at the meeting of the taxpayers of Stockton.

An organization has been effected in Gilroy to be known as the Coast Counties Publishers. It is composed of the newspaper publishers of the five coast counties. San Mateo, Santa

Clara, San Benito, Santa Cruz and Monterey.

Woodland is to have a new municipal park, thanks to the Globe Mills Company. Encouraged by their success in milling rice, the Globe interests have decided to help beautify the city homes by clearing land adjoining their mill for a plaza.

The first of the \$85,000,000 Federal appropriation for good roads will be spent on San Pablo avenue between Albany and Richmond, according to the present plans of Government representatives who have established offices in the Berkeley Federal building.

Baron C. H. V. de Villeneuve of Rotterdam, accompanied by his secretary, W. Surmond, are the last two tourists who will make the Glacier Point trip until next season. The baron and his party arrived at Yosemite one day last week distancing a heavy snow fall by a few hours.

In the twenty-two months it has been established, the State Department of Weights and Measures has tested 3,309,677 scales, weights, measures and containers. Of this number, 339,616 have been confiscated and destroyed, 26,410 have been found "out of order," and 170,170 have been found "incorrect."

It is the best season for trapping in many years in the San Mateo county mountains, according to Silvio Miguel, experienced trapper, who came to San Mateo with seventy-five pelts, after being in the King's mountain district only fifteen days. His bag included red foxes, gray foxes, coons, bob cats, skunks and coyotes.

J. D. Arrimore, for fifteen years the hangman at Folsom State Prison, died at his home in Sacramento last week.

George K. Warford, whose recall as Commissioner was attempted unsuccessfully about two years ago, resigned at Vallejo last week.

John Doubt, 83, the last of the Yuba county pioneers, earliest settler, died at the hotel of his nephew, Sam Doubt, Yuba City, last week.

A. B. Widney, son of a Los Angeles county jurist, escaped from the Stockton State Hospital, where he was sent a month ago from Alameda county.

Fines aggregating \$33,500 were collected in the State during the last two years as a result of arrests made by the game wardens under the State Fish and Game Commission.

Stockton assessment rolls, completed, show a gain of \$693,355 in non-operative property over the roll of 1916. The total assessment of non-operative property is \$27,836,118.

More than fifteen complaints were sworn to as the result of a campaign against blind pigs and petty gambling just closed by District Attorney Franklin Swart in Redwood City.

In order to test the new liquor ordinance in Alameda, which provides that outside liquor firms cannot sell or distribute liquor in that city, a writ of habeas corpus is to be sued out.

The death penalty was executed on Dr. Edward J. Ghidella's pet bear when, for the second time, it escaped from captivity and brought out Burlingame's full force of bluecoats.

St. John Whitney, president of the Leslie Salt Company, omitted a \$3000 word when he failed to write "cashier" on a check, which he says he issued to pay a note due the National Bank of San Mateo.

The sale of the Bear Creek and Mammoth Oil Companies, both situated on section 31, 31-23 in the Midway Oil Field, to the Standard Oil Company of California for \$450,000, was made public a few days ago.

The Merced County Grand Jury, in

the report filed a few days ago, recommends that the Supervisors request the Mariposa County Supervisors to abolish two saloons at Merced Falls, a lumbering town on the Merced-Mariposa border.

Sugar beet growers of Milpitas, dissatisfied with what they say is a low return for their crops in the face of increased sugar prices, have appealed to the State Market Director to investigate their difficulties and aid them in getting higher prices.

Cream payments made to the Tulare district ranchers for November deliveries were the largest for any period of the year during the last three seasons, reaching approximately \$110,000, according to the reports of various associations just made public.

A mysterious explosion which aroused the neighborhood within a radius of a mile, wrecked a small manufacturing plant on the estate of Charles Butters near Oakland. Six workmen in a bunk house near by escaped injury. It is reported that an aluminum dust filter exploded.

Tulare honey will bring joy to the hearts of British soldiers, barring bad luck from German submarines. A shipment of 250 cases of the confection made from orange and alfalfa blossoms, has been made for account of a San Francisco brokerage firm to the commissary of the British army at Liverpool.

Marvin Brinkley, 14-year-old son of a Lindsay orchard owner, died at a hospital in Porterville from injuries received when he fell beneath the wheels of a freight train in the Southern Pacific yards at Lindsay. Brinkley attempted to crawl between two cars and missed his footing when the engine started.

The State Board of Education, in a resolution recently made public, suggests to the special committee of the Senate and Assembly appointed to investigate the problem of State uniformity and State publication of high school text books, that it would be inadvisable to prescribe a series of text books for uniform use.

Twenty restaurant men bid for the services of Daniel Briggs, 20 years old, and six feet eight inches in height, when he appeared before Police Judge Sullivan in San Francisco charged with vagrancy. A Market street cafeteria proprietor bid the highest for Briggs' services as an advertising medium and the court allowed Briggs his freedom.

Despite the loss of a section of his brain when he was struck on the head with a shovel in the hands of a fellow workman, Frank Bottini walked out to the Cottage Hospital in San Rafael and announced that he was feeling fine. His case is viewed as the most remarkable coming to the notice of the hospital authorities in several years.

The high cost of living has caused manufacturers to use an abundance of furniture makers' glue in the production of gelatine, according to Professor E. J. Lea, director of the State Food and Drugs Bureau, with headquarters at the University of California, and the State Board of Health will take immediate steps to stop the practice.

Members of the National Guard of California are held to be within the protection of the workmen's compensation law, according to a decision of the State Industrial Accident Commission. The case was that of David Swain, member of one of the Coast Artillery Companies at San Diego. Swain dropped a weight on his foot while working with a ten-inch gun. He was awarded \$145 compensation.

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BRYAN AGAINST OWNERSHIP BY THE GOVERNMENT

Gives Newlands Committee His
Views on Railroad Control.

COMPETITION PREFERABLE.

Federal Regulation Should Not Be Allowed to Exclude Exercise of State Authority, He Contends—Thinks Railroad Stocks Should Represent Actual Value and Be Stable as Government Bonds.

Washington, Dec. 11.—William J. Bryan, who startled the country ten years ago by advocating government ownership of railroads, appeared before the Newlands Joint Committee on Interstate Commerce last week in support of the claim that the states should be allowed to retain authority over the regulation of all transportation lines within their borders. Mr. Bryan explained that he had long regarded government ownership as inevitable, but only because of railroad opposition to effective regulation.

Against Government Ownership.
"Personally I cannot say that I desire government ownership," he explained, "because I lean to the individual idea rather than to the collective idea; that is, I believe that government ownership is desirable only where competition is impossible."

Alfred P. Thom, counsel to the Railway Executives' Advisory Committee, previously had presented before the members of the Newlands Committee as one of his reasons for urging a better balanced and more systematic regulation of railroads the argument that this is the only alternative to government ownership. Calling attention to the restrictions imposed upon the transportation lines by conflicting state laws and regulations, to the practical cessation of new construction and to the impossibility under existing conditions of securing the new capital needed for extensions and betterments of railway facilities, he warned the Congressmen that unless they provided a fair and reasonable system of regulation that would enable the railroads to meet the growing needs of the country's business the national government would be compelled to take over the ownership of the lines with all the evils attendant upon such a system.

Preservation of Competition.
Mr. Bryan, on the other hand, holds that the further extension of federal authority over the railroads would be a step in the direction of government ownership. He advanced the view that the centralization of control in the hands of the national government would impose too great a burden upon the regulating body, would offer strong temptation to railroads to interfere in politics and would encourage the general movement toward centralization of power in the federal government at the expense of the states. He said that he did not object to consolidations of railroad lines so long as they did not destroy competition, that he knew of no complaint against great railway systems because of their size and that he believed that the preservation of

competition was the test to be applied to all consolidations.

Regulation of Securities.

Mr. Bryan declared himself in favor of national regulation of railway stock and bond issues, but added that he saw no reason why that should exclude the states from acting on the same subject as to state corporations. "I would like to see the stock of a railroad, as long as it is in private hands, made as substantial and as unvarying as the value of a government bond," he asserted.

He suggested that railroad capitalization be readjusted to equalize it with actual valuation of the property represented, making due allowance for equities, and that when this was done the roads should be allowed to earn sufficient income to keep their stock at par and to create a surplus. The latter, he tentatively proposed, might be allowed to amount to 25 per cent of the capital.

Railway Earnings Low.

This subject of railroad capitalization and the amount of railroad earnings received further attention from the committee during its recent sessions. In answer to questions by Senator Cummins, Mr. Thom submitted figures showing the net earnings of the roads in recent years. These figures show that during the five years from 1905 to 1910 the average net earnings were 5.25 per cent of the net capitalization, while for the five years from 1910 to 1915 the average was only 4.56 per cent. The total earnings on the stock, computed by adding to the net operating income the income from the securities owned and deducting bond interest, were for 1910, 7.00 per cent; for 1911, 6.17 per cent; for 1912, 4.97 per cent; for 1913, 5.94 per cent; for 1914, 4.06 per cent; for 1915, 3.44 per cent, thus showing an almost continuous decrease throughout this six year period. It was announced that Halford Erickson, formerly chairman of the Wisconsin Railroad Commission, would submit more complete information on this subject to the Committee at a later date.



THE ULTRA ONE.

Diagonal serge, a warm plum color, develops this handsome suit, set off with kolinsky fur put on in deep points. The reverse collar is especially smart, as are the wide fur revers. Please observe the dressy turban.

A Sailor's Hands.

A sailor is betrayed by his hands, though his gait might betray him. They are permanently half shut. Walking, talking or sleeping, the sailor has his hands half shut and could not open them flat if he tried. This is the result of years of climbing and pulling ropes.

Diplomats.

"Old Millyung says that since he made his pile of money he feels like a neutral nation."
"Why is that?"
"Because he has so many diplomatic relations."

To Let—Furnished room. 329 Railroad ave. Inquire on premises. Advt.

PIANO CONTEST

Standing of the contestants for the week ending Dec. 29, 1916.

	Votes
1—Rita Schmidt	6,250
2—Gertrude Sands	5,500
3—Eleanor Morton	1,282,700
4—Elizabeth Monize	60,150
5—Marion Fischer	935,085
6—Florence Bonetti	1,270,865
7—Nellie Bortoli	6,050
8—Cecil Chadwick	14,390
9—Irene Galli	502,325
10—Ruth Meier	116,975
11—Juanita Brown	5,155
12—Sarah M. Doak	3,595
13—Peter Spiros	2,500
14—Freida Stuermann	3,435
15—Louise Beltrami	588,618
16—Ellen Hyland	3,010
17—Beatrice Nellan	5,505
18—Amelio Signorello	4,985
19—Virginia Chicacci	4,600
20—Lizzie Schmidt	4,500
21—Alma Chicco	2,000
22—Alice Stearns	4,990
23—Marie Smith	3,450
24—Maude Wallace	3,065
25—Emma Johnson	3,420
26—Helen Dunbaugh	71,000
27—Anna Coombes	36,960
28—Juanita Dean	2,495
29—Emily Fourcans	3,510
30—Harold Woodman	2,990
31—Eleanor Hynding	5,270
32—Andrew Devine	4,500
33—Elizabeth Lynch	3,045
34—Beatrice Farrell	3,395
35—Pearl Ingersoll	33,600
36—Methula Castro	4,890
37—Leta Lloyd	45,750
38—Aida Mazzoni	165,130
39—Palma Mancusa	112,275
40—Adelle Locatelli	66,070
41—Gilda Piccioni	30,800
42—Ruth Bissett	2,980
43—Angie Castro	46,300
44—Edna Broner	85,845
45—Alicia Signorelli	2,410
46—Miss Moss	2,000
47—Catholic Hall	1,069,180
48—Francis Carr	2,000
49—Georgie Wishing	2,400
50—Rose Varney	2,000
51—Willie Benedetti	15,500
52—Mrs. McConnell	43,517

Ask for votes at all stores; they all have them.

Deposit votes at Peninsula Drug Company.

This contest is being conducted by the music department of the Peninsula Drug Company, under the direct supervision of the amiable manager, Manuel Bernardo.

The Enterprise will give 5000 votes for a year's subscription, new or old, cash in advance, \$2 a year.

All votes must be entered by 12 p. m. Saturday, December 30, 1916, at the Peninsula Drug Company.

Who?

Why?

Where?

She Knew.

A teacher was reading the Christmas recitative piece to her class and came across the word "unaware." She asked if any one knew its meaning. One small girl timidly raised her hand and gave the following definition:

"Unaware is what you take off the last thing before you put your nightie on."

Where He Was Headed.

The militant pastor of the little church in Missouri glared at his congregation and shook his long hair. Then he smiled grimly.

"Carrying out my original announcement," he said, "I shall call the names of those persons now

asleep in the congregation. John Stackpole!"

There was no response.

"John Stackpole!" bawled the minister.

"Coming down now," he called drowsily; "keep things hot for me."

"You're going down all right, John Stackpole," roared the minister, "and things will be kept very hot for you. Let us now sing the ninety-ninth hymn."

NOT AS SHE THOUGHT.

Two woman's college professors, the professor of English literature and the professor of history, attended a matinee at a Shakespearean production during Christmas week to make "notes" for their lectures for the following year and to compare impressions. When they arrived at the theatre they were dismayed to find their seats separated by several rows. They realized that their joint work would practically be nullified. The history professor, however, noticed that the man sitting next to her seemed to be alone, and after much hesitation she decided to explain matters and ask him if he would take the seat of the literature professor three rows ahead. She was a shy southern young woman, but finally, mustering up her courage, she laid her hand on the man's shoulder and asked gently: "Excuse me, sir, but are you not alone?"

The man grew confused, coughed nervously, and then, putting his hand to his mouth, he whispered to the amazed professor:

Cheese it, kid, my wife is sitting next to me."

QUICK CHANGE OF MIND.

A vicar of a certain English parish was sitting in his study one morning when in burst a verger in a great state of excitement.

"Mr. —," mentioning the curate's name, "wants you at once, sir," he exclaimed. "He has married two couples and married the two men to the wrong women, and he does not know what to do.

"Have they signed the register?" inquired the clergyman.

"No," was the verger's response.

"Then they can be married again," said the vicar. "Tell Mr. — I will be at the church in a minute or two to perform the ceremony."

In due course the incumbent made his way to the church and found the parties gathered at the entrance. Before he could say anything one of the bridegrooms approached him and said:

"We have been talking it over, sir, and we have made up our minds to remain as we are." And they did so.

The Other Kind.

"As you don't seem to know what you'd like for Christmas, Freddie," said his mother, "here's a printed list of presents for a good little boy."

Freddie read over the list, and then said:

"Mother, haven't you a list for a bad little boy?"

When?

February 1st.

When?

February 1st.

For Sale—Lot No. 7, in block No. 148, on San Bruno road. Address 1510 Eleventh avenue, Sunset district, San Francisco, Cal. Phone Sunset 945.

FERTILIZER PROBLEM

BUREAU OF SOILS CONDUCTS EXPERIMENTS IN THE PRODUCTION OF POTASH, NITROGEN AND PHOSPHATES.

The annual report of the chief of the bureau of soils, United States department of agriculture, announces that the fertilizer investigations of that bureau have been established as a separate administrative unit. The work of the division is divided along three lines which deal, respectively, with the three fertilizer ingredients—potash, nitrogen and phosphates.

POTASH.—A plant will be erected on the southern Pacific coast to experiment on a commercial scale with the problem of extracting potash from kelp. This experiment plant is made possible by a special appropriation of \$175,000 for this purpose. The bureau also is co-operating with cement mills and blast furnaces to determine by analysis whether the potash now lost warrants the necessary expense to recover it. It is investigating the question of extracting potash from wool scourings, and is making an effort to get in touch with companies in the country which are engaged in cleaning raw wool on a large scale. The bureau also has published a number of alunite determinations dealing with various methods of treating alunite for potash.

NITROGEN.—The bureau has equipped a laboratory at Arlington (Va.) experiment farm with apparatus for testing the different methods proposed for fixing atmospheric nitrogen, and contracts have been let for much additional equipment to extend this work. The extension of the work has been delayed by the impossibility of securing immediate delivery of machinery.

In connection with the work on phosphates an electrical furnace has been in operation working on the problem of volatilizing phosphoric acid and fixing nitrogen in one operation. Apparatus has also been installed for experimenting with the Ostwald process of oxidizing ammonia for the production of nitric acid. Both these projects are attended with technical difficulties and no important results can as yet be announced.

Investigations on city wastes have been continued and an apparatus and processes for rendering garbage and other similar wastes have been devised which it is believed will prove superior to those now in use for this purpose. A full report on city wastes is now in course of preparation. Some work has also been done in determining the availability of various nitrogenous fertilizer materials when applied to the soil, and this work is being continued.

A study of the subject of ammonia from the by-product of coke ovens has been made and published.

PHOSPHATES.—At the Arlington laboratory an electric furnace has been installed and work on the volatilization of phosphoric acid from phosphate rock has been begun. A Cottrell precipitator was installed and, while minor adjustments remain to be made, the essential fact that phosphoric acid may be economically collected in this way has been demonstrated.

A process for producing sulphuric acid has been perfected and patented which gives promise of being much more satisfactory than the process now in use.

GENERAL.

The problem of producing concentrated fertilizers containing all three fertilizer ingredients or any

two of them has been attacked from several directions, and methods have been worked out in the laboratory for producing ammonium-potassium-phosphate, potassium-phosphate, and ammonium-phosphate by processes which are new and very promising. Patents on all these processes, for the benefit of the people of the United States, have either been secured or have been applied for.

BRIEF ITEMS.

Permits for the importation of 127,706 canaries were issued by the biological survey during the past year.

Two thousand bluebill and 300 white-winged scoter ducks were found to destroy 8000 oysters a day in a single bay near Olympia, Wash.

For correcting soil acidity, one ton of burned lime is practically equal to one and one-half tons of slaked lime or two tons of ground limestone, in case all three forms are of equal grade of purity.

Successful methods for the control of the foot-rot of sweet potatoes, a serious and destructive disease in several states, have been developed by the specialists of the department.

The bureau of soils is co-operating with cement mills, blast furnaces and wool scourers with the object of enabling them to recover potash as a by-product wherever this proves to be commercially feasible.

In 1904 the actual cash road and bridge expenditure in the United States averaged slightly less than \$28 per mile of rural roads. In 1915 the cash road and bridge expenditure had increased to an average of \$109 per mile of road.

Practically no injury to alfalfa from summer heat has been recorded in dry climates, but high temperatures combined with much moisture in the atmosphere are so injurious that it is difficult to grow the crop successfully under these conditions.

The pasturing of corn is especially applicable to semi-arid regions. The dry soil is not injured by the animals, and very little corn goes to waste or spoils by coming in contact with the soil. The stalks are left in good shape to prevent the drifting of snow.

Vulnerable.

A visiting minister, preaching in a town famous for its horse races, vigorously denounced the sport. The principal patron of the church always attended the races, and of this the clergyman was later informed.

"I'm afraid I touched one of your weaknesses," said the pastor, not wishing to offend the wealthy one, "but it was quite unintentional, I assure you."

"Oh, don't mind that," said the sportsman genially. "It's a mighty poor sermon that don't hit me somewhere."

A Good Work.

Edith was light-hearted and merry over everything. Nothing appealed to her seriously. So, one day, her mother decided to invite a very serious young person to dinner, and he was placed next the light-hearted girl. Everything went well until she asked him:

"You speak of everybody having a mission. What is yours?"

"My mission," said the parson, "is to save young men."

"Good," replied the girl, "I'm glad to meet you. I wish you'd save one for me."

Found—A bunch of keys, at the corner of Grand and Linden avenues. Owner describe property and pay for this ad.

HEALTH INSURANCE

\$25,000,000 A YEAR

California compulsory health insurance commission will report a bill to the legislature to raise by taxation a fund to pay medical bills, care and part wages of laborers when not well.

Funds are to be raised, 50 per cent by state, 40 per cent by employers and 10 per cent from employees who get \$100 a month or less.

It is estimated sickness costs California laborers \$25,000,000 a year.

At hearings held by this commission labor representatives, while favoring health insurance at public expense, opposed paying any part of it.

Fraternal orders objected on grounds that they already tax themselves to insure their members, pay their medical bills and attending physicians and benefits.

Medicine, doctor bills and other benefits are to go under this bill to laboring men, their wives, children and other members of their families when sick or off of work.

It is expected that Christian Scientists and some other systems of healing will object to being taxed for any system of health insurance.

Insurance against sickness and non-employment will be brought before western legislatures.

The load being piled up looks like a staggering burden for the taxpayer to carry.

Not Necessary to Ask.

"I hope you didn't ask for a second piece of pie when you were over at Johnny Smith's to dinner," said his mother.

"No, ma'am, I didn't," said Charles. "I just asked Mrs. Smith for the recipe so you could make some pie like it, and she gave me another piece without asking for it at all."

ANNOUNCEMENT

The lot selling agency in the platted district of South San Francisco has been placed in charge of E. C. Peck & Co.

Mr. Peck's office in this city is located in the hotel building and the San Francisco offices occupy rooms 209-210 Hearst Building, Third and Market streets.

A house building organization is operated in conjunction with this agency. Salesmen desiring to handle lots in this district will apply direct to E. C. Peck & Co. at the above address.

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